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SUBJECT: AMOSEAS NATIONALIZATION

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- 1. AMOSEAS PRESIDENT TOTTEN AND LIBYA AMOSEAS REP SCHENK HAVE TOLD US ABOUT THEIR CURRENT TALKS WITH PETROLEUM MINISTER ON SUBJECT OF COMPANY'S NATIONALIZATION. THERE HAS BEEN NO SIGN OF WILLINGNESS TO COMPROMISE ON LIBYAN SIDE IN WORKING OUT NEW RELATIONSHIP, AND THEY HAVE INFORMED LIBYAN MANAGEMENT OF UMM AL-JAWABI CO., FORMED TO SUCCEED AMOSEAS, THAT PHASED PROGRAM FOR DEPARTURE OF AMOSEAS EMPLOYEES WILL HAVE TO BEGIN. MINISTER GAVE ASSURANCES OF COOPERATION IN THIS REGARD AND AMOSEAS CONTINUES TO BE OPTIMISTIC ABOUT ORDERLY WITHDRAWAL OF 75 AMERICAN FAMILIES INVOLVED. IN ADDITION TO MINISTER'S ASSURANCES THEY BELIEVE LIBYANS COULD NOT AFFORD DAMAGE TO THEIR REPUTATION AS EMPLOYER OF FOREIGN TECHNICIANS IN PRESENT TIGHT HIRING MARKET.
- 2. COMPANY REPS SAID THEY STILL HAVE NOT CLOSED DOOR CONFIDENTIAL

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ON POSSIBILITY OF STAYING IN LIBYA IN SOME CAPACITY,

BUT APPARENTLY MAIN INITIATIVE WILL HAVE TO COME FROM LIBYAN SIDE AND WITHDRAWAL SEEMED MORE LIKELY. SINCE AMOSEAS IS ONLY OPERATING COMPANY, PROBLEM OF COMPENSATION IS ONE FOR PARENT COMPANIES, TEXACO AND SOCAL. STEIN

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